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MEMORANDUM FOR: Robert Gates
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FROM : Walter Elder
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SUBJECT : DCID Review

1. The attached draft DCI directive tries to do several things:

-- Set forth a broad charter for overt intelligence collection and reporting activities by consolidating basic missions, functions, and divisions of labor which are currently dispersed among the following:

- NSCID #2 (which would be rescinded)
- DCID #2/1 (which repeats much of the NSCID)
- DCID #1/19 (which stands in isolation as an afterthought)
- DCID #2/3 (which is for some reason treated as a separate category)
- DCID #2/4 (which, along with 2/5, 2/6, and 2/8, can be lumped under a single directive)

-- To see if we can live without NSCID's in general; and at the same time, pick up functions not given explicit mention in EO 12333.

-- Create a set of broad charters (for the so-called busy senior official) which will stand on their own without reams of implementing procedures, which can be placed in a Volume II of how-to manuals.

2. While I wait for your reaction, I shall produce and submit for your consideration another draft, this time on production which will be aimed at submarining NSCID #3.

STAT 3. FYI, I have attacked DDO with the notion of doing the same thing for NSCID #5. I am also working on a "common concern" series which will sweep up NPIC, [REDACTED] for example.

4. I'm going to be hard to head off, so you better start now.

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cc: [REDACTED]

Director of Central Intelligence Directive

Overt Collection and Reporting Activities

Pursuant to Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947 and Executive Order 12333, policies are hereby established for the overt collection and reporting of foreign intelligence.

1. Purpose

This directive assigns responsibilities to senior US officials and elements of the Intelligence Community to ensure coordination of overt collection and reporting activities.

2. Definition

Overt collection and reporting activities are those intelligence activities which are not covered by other Director of Central Intelligence Directives.

3. Primary Responsibilities

The Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) will ensure that planning for the use of Intelligence Community overt collection and reporting activities provides adequate coverage of priority national intelligence topics and avoids unnecessary duplication.

The senior US representative in each foreign area of his jurisdiction will direct overt collection and reporting activities in his area.

In accordance with policies established by the DCI, the Central Intelligence Agency will provide the following services of common concern:

- Monitoring of foreign radio, television, and press broadcasts for foreign intelligence purposes and dissemination of such information to appropriate users.
- Exploiting foreign language publications.
- Exploiting within the United States selected private organizations and individuals.
- Exploiting US Government organizations and officials not members of the Intelligence Community.

4. Intelligence Community Responsibilities

The Department of State will have primary responsibility for the overt collection abroad of political, economic, sociological, scientific and technical, and biographic intelligence on personalities in the above listed areas.

The Department of Defense will have primary responsibility for the overt collection abroad of military intelligence, of scientific, technical, and economic information pertinent to Department of Defense missions, and biographic information on foreign military personalities.

Intelligence information collected abroad by any organization of the Intelligence Community will be transmitted immediately to the field representative of the organization with primary responsibility for collection and reporting in the subject area who will be responsible for further transmission. The original collector may transmit the information to his own headquarters.

Intelligence Community organizations will, in establishing and conducting overt collection programs, take into account the activities of other organizations and will coordinate their programs under guidelines established by the DCI.

No official is authorized to delay, suppress, or alter the substance of any intelligence report without the concurrence of the originating official. Comments may accompany the original report or be submitted separately, but transmission of the original report will not be delayed.

The Department of State will transmit Intelligence Community requirements to senior US representatives abroad and provide guidance for overt collection efforts in accordance with guidelines established by the DCI.

Field representatives of Intelligence Community organizations will keep the senior US representative informed about their overt collection activities.

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